

Minutes of the Historic Preservation Advisory Council Meeting
Coastal Georgia Regional Development Center
February 10th 2009
Midway Civic Center
Midway, Georgia

Call to Order: Matt Norsworthy, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:30AM. Those in attendance introduced themselves.

Roll Call: Attendance was taken by sign-in sheet

Members present: Cullen Chambers, Thomas M. Anderson, Matt Norsworthy, Vicki Davis, Jan Bass, Pearl Boynes, David Buie, Lynn Pace, Carrie Welter, Ellen Harris, Gail Fox Evans, Sarah P. Ward, Mike Hosti, Walt Natzic.

Members absent: Carolyn W. Downs, Miriam Bush, Steve Scholar, Karin Stenborg, Frank W. Brown, Rodney Sheffield, John Kennison, Ralph Price, Eutween Griffin, Wayne Seay, Betty Lee Waller, Daren Harper, Mia Knight-Nichols, Otis A. Amason, Jr., Modibo M. Kadalie, Luciria Lovette, Al Theus, Missy Brandt, Robert Allen, Jr., John A. Mitchell, Charlie Fenwick, John S. Hunter, III, Bill Giles, Steve Smith, Danny Brown, Arthur Edgar, Mary Beth Wester.

Guests: Dave Welter, Jessica Burr, Lisa Lorang

Staff: Tricia Reynolds, Jason Kotarski

Welcome: Don R. Emmons, Mayor of Midway welcomed the group to Midway and was happy to see such a good turnout for the meeting. He mentioned how important it was that there are knowledgeable and committed stewards to represent the community and inform elected officials.

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the November 18th meeting were discussed. Lynn Pace was listed as both present as well as absent. Since she was in attendance at the meeting her name was removed from the absent list. Jan Bass moved that the minutes be approved, and Pearl Boynes seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Announcements:

- Matt Norsworthy amended the agenda to rearrange the speakers.
- Matt Norsworthy discussed budget cuts and made a motion to vote on having the HPAC cease catering lunch. The vote carried with a recommendation that a suitable restaurant be found at member cost.
- Sarah Ward mentioned an interest in continuing the symposiums that were common in the past.

Committee Reports:

- Cullen Chambers updated the Council on the recent Technical Advisory Committee workings in the region.
 - Continued efforts in Register
 - Friends of the Tybee Theater being awarded the first license plate grant

New Business:

- Matt Norsworthy opened the floor to discuss the location of upcoming meeting on May 12th.
 - Sarah Ward suggested Cumberland Island
 - Cullen Chambers offered the Tybee Historical Society
 - Mr. and Mrs. Welters offered the Barn at Welter Farm
 - Gail Evans offered the City of Flemington as a location for the August 11th meeting.
- Tricia Reynolds made the Coastal Comprehensive Plan for the Inland Four Counties available for comment. Electronic copies will be sent in the upcoming days to those who were interested.
- Tricia Reynolds facilitated the second work session to extract input from the Council. See attached work session notes.

Presentation

- Chris McCabe, Underwater Archeologist for the Department of Natural Resources Historic Preservation Division gave the group a presentation on shipwrecks and surveys in the region.

Other Business:

- The next meeting will be held on May 12th, 2009 at the Tybee Historical Society, Tybee Island, Georgia in Chatham County.

Adjournment:

- The meeting adjourned. HPAC members toured Fort Morris on a tour lead by Park Manager Arthur Edgar.